

SB

477

(9)

COMMITTEE REPORT

HOUSE

4/9/80

FURTHER:

Date: 4/21/80

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on RESOURCES has had CSSB 477am

"An Act relating to shooting and firearm safety; and providing for an effective date."

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee) reports it back with the following recommendations:

- do pass do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s)
- replace with CS for _____ same title
 new title
- and recommends _____
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- referred to the _____ Committee

**MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS**

**MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Alvin Peterbach
 CHAIRMAN

4/21/80 Hearing & Reported Out - Do Pass



Alaska State Legislature

House

HOUSE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

FISH & GAME ISSUES
Alvin Osterback, Chairman

Rough V, State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99811
(907) 465-3715

HEARING NOTIFICATIONS

Re: Shooting and Firearm Safety

BILL	DATE INFORMED	LETTER/PHONE	INFORMED	HEARING DATE
3 CS SB 477 am	4/21		Sen. Rodey, sponsor	4/21
	4/21	4100	Dept. of Fish and Game	4/21
	4/21		Rep. Malone (sponsor of similar bill introduced in House)	

THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST
 Bill/Resolution No. SB 477
 Title An Act relating to shooting and firearm safety
 Requested by Senate Resources Committee Date 3-11-80

II. FISCAL DETAIL
 Agency Affected Department of Fish and Game
 Program Category Affected Natural Resources Management
 BRU, Program, or Subprogram(s) Affected Game Division
 (Note: If more than one budget component is affected, separate line-item amounts and funding for each component in the analysis section.)

EXPENDITURES (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 80	FY 81	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85
100 PERSONAL SERVICES						
200 TRAVEL						
300 CONTRACTUAL						
400 COMMODITIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Fund Source)						

POSITIONS

FULL TIME	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART TIME						
TEMPORARY						

III. ANALYSIS (See Fiscal Note Preparation Instructions, Section III)

No fiscal impact

IV. DATE 3/11/80 PREPARED BY Russell H. Clark
 AGENCY Department of Fish and Game
 PHONE 465-4120
 Original Legislative Finance
 cc: Budget and Management
 Prime Sponsor (First Legislator Name)

Recommendations of the State Range Planning Committee

In FY 1980 the Game Division received a legislative appropriation of \$15,000 to establish a State Range Planning Committee consisting of representatives from most major communities within the State. This committee, with directions from Game Division's Hunter Safety Coordinator, was to assess the needs for shooting facilities in cities and towns throughout Alaska and to make recommendations regarding acquisition and development of appropriate shooting facilities. The committee's findings and recommendations are as follows:

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TO: State Range Planning Committee

DATE: January 16, 1980

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO:

FROM: Jack Alexander
Hunter Safety Coordinator
Division of Game
Anchorage

SUBJECT: Recommendations for
shooting facilities.

Attached are the recommendations for shooting facilities as determined at the December 20, 1979 meeting of the Range Planning Committee. Please look them over carefully and compare with your notes. The figures have changed some, but not much. Let me know if you don't agree or have any changes or suggestions to make.

I discussed Izaak Walton League Range development with Maurice Oswald of D.O.W.L. Engineering, who is doing the design work on their development plans. It was Mr. Oswald's opinion that realignment of the Izaak Walton League Range would eliminate any safety hazards currently associated with the Birchwood airstrip.

I'll get the wording for a proposed bond put together in the next week or so and forward it to each of you for your input.

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Enclosure

cc: J. Vania
R. Somerville
P. Rodey

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
Ketchikan	1	Ketchikan	1. Expand number of firing points and other improvements to existing site.	1. 25
		all other communities	2. Develop smallbore indoor range available to High School.	2. 300
			3. Assistance to 11 additional areas in obtaining designated and/or establish outdoor shooting areas, also financial assistance to schools establishing indoor student training facilities.	3. <u>27.5</u>
		Subtotal	352.5	
Wrangell-Petersburg	2	Petersburg	1. Assist in development of indoor smallbore range available to High School.	1. 300
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			2. Assist in upgrading existing outdoor facilities.	2. 5.0
		All other communities	1. Assist 2 additional communities obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and establish indoor student training.	1. <u>5.0</u>
Subtotal	610.0			
Sitka	3	Sitka	1. Develop existing outdoor facilities.	1. 25.0
			2. Assist develop indoor smallbore range available to High School.	2. 300
		All other	1. Assist one additional community to obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting area and student training facilities.	1. <u>2.5</u>
			Subtotal	327.5
Juneau	4	Juneau	1. Expand and improve existing outdoor range.	1. 75
			2. Improvement to support bldg. indoor range.	2. <u>75</u>
		Subtotal	150	
Haines-Skagway	5	Haines	1. Expand and improve existing outdoor range.	1. 25.0
			2. Develop indoor range.	2. 5.0
		Skagway	1. Minor improvements to existing outdoor range. 2. Develop indoor smallbore and pistol range available to High School.	1. 5.0 2. 5.0 3. <u>12.5</u>
			3. Assist 5 additional communities to obtain designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	Subtotal 52.5

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	
Valdez-Cordova	6	Valdez	No recommendations		
		Cordova	1. Land acquisition and improvements 2. Indoor smallbore facilities adjacent to High School.	1. 20 2. 50	
		Glennallen	1. Improvements to outdoor range and development of range available to High School. 2. Assist 3 additional communities to obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	1. 10.0 2. <u>7.5</u>	
			Subtotal	87.5	
Palmer-Talkeetna-Wasilla	7	Palmer-Wasilla	1. Acquire land in centralized area.	1. 100	
		Palmer	1. Indoor smallbore range.	1. 300	
		Wasilla	1. Indoor smallbore range. 2. Assist one additional community to obtain designate and/or establish outdoor shooting area and student training facilities.	1. 300 2. <u>2.5</u>	
			Subtotal	702.5	
Anchorage	8	Anchorage	1. Improvement & expansion of 2 existing outdoor ranges. 2. Centralized indoor smallbore and pistol range. 3. Completion of three existing indoor High School smallbore ranges.	1. 475 2. 1,725 3. <u>375</u>	
				Subtotal	2,575.0
Seward	9	Seward	1. Assist in establishing a designated shooting area. 2. Establish smallbore indoor range.	1. 10 2. <u>10</u>	
				Subtotal	20.0
Kenai-Soldotna	10	Soldotna	1. Expansion & improvements to existing outdoor range. 2. Smallbore indoor ranges in 2 High Schools.	1. 10 2. 425	
		Homer	1. Expansion & improvements to existing outdoor ranges. 2. Improvements to existing indoor range. 3. Assist 5 additional communities obtain designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	1. 10 2. 5 3. <u>12.5</u>	
			Subtotal	462.5	

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>
Kodiak	11	Kodiak	1. Acquire site and improvements to existing outdoor range. 2. Designate shooting areas adjacent to city. 3. Indoor smallbore and pistol range. 4. Assist 5 additional communities obtain, designate or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	1. 125
				2. no cost
				3. 300
				4. <u>12.5</u>
			Subtotal	437.5
Aleutian Islands	12	All communities	1. Assist 10 communities obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	1. <u>30.0</u>
				Subtotal
Dillingham	13	Dillingham	1. Assist communities to obtain designate and/or establish an outdoor shooting facility. 2. Develop indoor student training facility.	1. 10
				2. 10
		Naknek	1. Assist community to obtain, designate and/or establish an outdoor shooting facility and indoor student training facility. 1. Assist seven additional communities to obtain, designate and/or establish an outdoor shooting area & indoor student training facility.	1. 10
				1. <u>17.5</u>
				Subtotal
Bethel (15)	14	Bethel	1. Assist Bethel establish and designate an outdoor shooting facility. 2. Establish indoor smallbore range. 3. Assist 15 additional communities to obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas & student training facilities.	1. 10.0
				2. 100.0
				3. <u>37.5</u>
			Subtotal	147.5
			McGrath-Galena-Tanana	15
2. 10.0				
1. Assist 18 additional communities to obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting & student training facilities.	1. <u>45.0</u>			
	Subtotal	60.0		

Appendix B (cont.)

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	
Fairbanks	16	Fairbanks	1. Central facilities with highpower, small-bore & shotgun, outdoor, smallbore & pistol indoor.	1. 1,500	
			2. Four designated shooting areas adjacent to city.	2. no cost	
			3. Three indoor smallbore ranges adjacent to High Schools.	3. 1,000	
			1. Assist 5 additional communities to obtain designate and/or establish outdoor shooting area and student training facilities.	1. <u>12.5</u>	
			Subtotal	2,512.5	
Barrow-Kotzebue	17	Kotzebue	1. Acquire outdoor highpower range site & improvements. 2. Indoor smallbore range adjacent to High School.	1. 10.0 2. 300.0	
		Barrow	1. Develop outdoor range. 2. Construct small-bore indoor range adjacent to school.	1. 10.0 2. 300.0	
		All other communities	1. Assist 9 additional communities to obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	1. <u>22.5</u>	
					Subtotal
Nome	18	Nome	1. Designate and make improvements to an outdoor range.	1. 22.0	
			2. Smallbore indoor range available to High school.	2. 300.0	
			1. Assist 12 additional communities to obtain designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas & student indoor training facilities.	1. <u>30.0</u>	
Hooper Bay	19	All Villages	1. Provide assistance to 8 communities in obtaining, designating and/or establishing outdoor shooting areas and indoor student training facilities.	1. <u>20.0</u>	
			Subtotal	20.0	
				Grand Total	<u>9,589.0</u>

APPENDIX A

Region

I. Northwestern

A. Outdoor

1. Bethel - No designated shooting areas
2. Dillingham - No designated shooting areas
3. Barrow - No designated shooting areas
4. Nome - No designated shooting areas
5. Kotzebue - No designated shooting areas

B. Indoor

1. Bethel- No indoor shooting facilities
2. Dillingham - No indoor shooting facilities
3. Barrow - No indoor shooting facilities
4. Nome - No indoor shooting facilities
5. Kotzebue - No indoor shooting facilities

II. Interior

A. Outdoor

1. Fairbanks
 - a. Northstar Borough 300 yards - summer use only
 - b. Fort Wainwright - organized competition
 - c. Fairbanks Trap Club - open to public on fee basis
 - d. Eielson AFB 100 to 600 yards - high power and small bore organized competition
 - e. State Airport 50 yards - police range

2. Delta
3. Nenana - Undesignated gravel pits
4. Fort Yukon - No designated shooting areas
5. Galena - No designated shooting areas
6. Aniak - No designated shooting areas
7. McGrath - No designated shooting areas
8. Tok - Undesignated gravel pits
9. Healy - No designated shooting areas

B. Indoor

1. Fairbanks
 - a. University of Alaska 50' 12 pt. small bore - open to student - organized competition
 - b. Tanana Valley Sportsman 50' 10 pt. small bore - members and guest - organized competition
 - c. Fairbanks City Police 50' 2 pt. - not open to public
 - d. Ryan Jr. High 50' small bore - student use
2. McGrath - No indoor facilities
3. Delta - Portable small bore traps at High School
4. Nenana - No indoor facilities
5. Tok - No indoor facilities
6. Fort Yukon - No indoor facilities

III. Southcentral

A. Outdoor

1. Anchorage
 - a. Izaak Walton Range - open to public - high power, small bore, pistol, traps and skeet
 - b. Rabbit Creek - high power, small bore, pistol and trap
 - c. Elmendorf 100 - military and organized public
 - d. Fort Richardson - 100 yard high power - organized competition
 - e. Anchorage Sportman - trap - private - open to public

2. Soldotna and Kenai
 - a. Snowshoe Gun Club - 500 yards - pistol and trap - open to public some weekends and competition
 3. Homer
 - a. Homer Rod and Gun Club 100 yards - high power, pistol and trap - open to public
 4. Kodiak
 - a. Soline Creek Rifle Range 600 yards - high power, 50 yard pistol - open to public, subject to eventual closure
 - b. Base Trap Club - open to military
 - c. Kodiak UFW - 3 trap and 100 yard - 2 position high power - closed to public. Not considered a safe range
 5. Cordova
 - a. Izaak Walton League - 100 yards - high power, small bore - open to public. Due to close December 31, 1979
 6. Valdez
 - a. 200 yard 10 pt. High power - City owned and maintained
 7. Glennallen
 - a. No authorized outdoor shooting facilities
 8. Palmer - Talkeetna - Wasilla
 - a. No authorized outdoor shooting facilities
- B. Indoor
1. Anchorage
 - a. Elmendorf AFB 10 pt. 25 yards, organized club use
 - b. Bartlett High School 16 pt. 50 ft. - scheduled organized use
 - c. National Guard Armory 6 pt. 50 ft. - open to organized groups
 - d. Chugiak High School 50 ft. 10pt. - open to organized groups
 - e. West High School 10 pt. 50 ft. - open to organized groups
 2. Soldotna and Kenai
 - a. National Guard Armory 10 pt. 50 ft. - open to organized and scheduled competition

3. Homer
 - a. Homer Rifle and Pistol Club 4 pt. 75 ft. - open to public
4. Kodiak
 - a. 10 pt. 50' Coast Guard indoor range subject to eventual closure
5. Cordova
 - a. No indoor shooting facilities
6. Valdez
 - a. Valdez High School - 50' 7 pt. small bore - student and organized groups
7. Glennallen
 - a. No indoor shooting facilities
8. Palmer-Talkeetna-Wasilla
 - a. No indoor shooting facilities

IV. Southeast

- A. Outdoor
 1. Juneau
 - a. Montana Creek 300 yards - high power, small bore and pistol
 - b. Juneau Trap Club
 2. Yakutat
 - a. No outdoor shooting facilities
 3. Sitka
 - a. City Range 100 yards - high power open to public
 4. Petersburg
 - a. City Range 200 yards - high power and small bore
No improvements
 5. Wrangell
 - a. 200 yard - high power City range open to public, covered firing pts.
 6. Ketchikan
 - a. Ketchikan Trap Club - 3 traps - open to members and guests - 2 pt 100 yard high power range

7. Skagway

- a. 100 yards - open to public

8. Haines

- a. 150 yd. - high power range

9. Hoonah - No designated outdoor shooting area

B. Indoor

1. Juneau

- a. Juneau Douglas High School - 10 pt. 50' small bore and pistol, not open to public
- b. Support building not open to public

2. Yakutat - No indoor facilities

3. Sitka

- a. BIA Range 4 pt. small bore

4. Petersburg - No indoor facilities

5. Wrangell - No indoor facilities

6. Ketchikan - No indoor facilities

7. Skagway - No indoor facilities

8. Haines - Sr. High School student range

9. Hoonah - No indoor facilities

V. Westward

A. Outdoor

- 1. Cold Bay
- 2. Sand Point
- 3. Dutch Harbor
- 4. King Salmon - Naknak

B. Indoor

- 1. Cold Bay - No indoor facilities
- 2. Sand Point - No indoor facilities
- 3. Dutch Harbor - No indoor facilities
- 4. King Salmon - Naknak - No indoor facilities